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I recommended the vaccination of the entire ship's company after the appearance of the first case and the revaccination of all not showing satisfactory results. The recommendations were carried out by the transport surgeon.

The disease is of a very mild type, and has appeared in none who were protected by a recent successful vaccination or show signs of a previous attack of the disease, although one of the patients claims to have had smallpox some years ago.

The SURGEON-GENERAL.

CUBA.

Mortality statistics of Habana—Quarantine of Spanish steamship Puerto Rico on suspicion of typhus and on account of tuberculosis.

Assistant Surgeon Trotter reports, February 5, as follows:

Mortality report of Habana for week ended January 31, 1903.

| Disease. | Number of deaths. | Disease. | Number of deaths. |
|-------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Tuberculosis | 20 | Typhoid fever | 1 |
| Pneumonia | 4 | Enteritis | 3 |
| Broncho-pneumonia | 2 | Diphtheria | 1 |
| Bronchitis | 5 | Meningitis | 7 |
| Grippe | 1 | Cancer | 7 |

Total deaths from all causes, 123.

The Spanish steamship *Puerto Rico* arrived at this port on January 26, 1903, from ports of Spain and Canary Islands. On the United States consular bill of health from Barcelona the word "typhus" had been erased and "typhoid fever" substituted, but the alteration had not been initialed. It stated that there had been 12 deaths from the disease. The bill of health issued by the Cuban consul at Barcelona read "12 deaths from *typhus* fever." At La Palma a passenger was taken on suffering from phthisis, and died on January 21, 1903. Therefore the ship on arrival here, owing to the foul bill of health from Barcelona and the death which occurred in transit, was placed in quarantine by the Cuban authorities, the passengers for Cuba being sent to Tricornia for observation, and the holds of the vessel, together with the passengers' baggage, disinfected by the Cuban quarantine service.

ECUADOR.

Quarantine against San Francisco, Cal.

The vice-consul-general reports, January 23, as follows: The board of health at Guayaquil has declared the ports of Ecuador closed against all arrivals from San Francisco leaving that port subsequent to January 20, 1903.

The SECRETARY OF STATE.